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Dear Cass:

Many thanks for your letter of October 3. Until I have turned over my job here to John McCone, which will be about a month from now, I will not have much of a chance to think of writing. However, I appreciate your thought and when the time comes, I shall not forget your letter and your preceding thoughts on this matter. First of all, I shall have to persuade myself that I have the aptitude and the skills to do effective writing, as I am not much of a believer in "ghosts."

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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